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# Two Premiers Support Religion In Schools

QUEBEC, Que., Sept. 18 — Maurice Duplessis, Catholic Premier of the Province of Quebec, and Col. George Drew, non-Catholic Premier of the Province of Ontario, are agreed on the necessity of religious education in the curriculum of present day schools.

"Education is our first line of Catholic Indians defense against those dangerous To Celebrate doctrines which threaten our Christian civilization as much as Martyr's Feast any material power, including the dreadful possibilities of atomic energy . .

materialism as a threat to civilization quite as great as the atomic bomb or any material force which man has at his disposal . . .

"The best bulwark against communism is religion. For that and other reasons the Ontario Government introduced religious education into public schools three years ago so that every elementary school in Ontario will teach

"Either we educate ourselves, "Indian" Mass truly educate ourselves, or our civilization will die through the spread of anti-Christian tyranny forces which man has discovered unimagined peaks of peaceful and hopes to complete a Mass accomplishment if the same sus- based on such a theme. as was required to discover how to split the atom, is applied to the science of human relationship."

WINNIPEG. — The Indian Association of Manitoba, restudies of Indian music shapes to contly hold: ship."

delegates that in Quebec the peo- Elaine is the author of hundreds of breach of the Indian Treaties To care for the growing work of Shalalth, and Leonard Major, ple while respecting the opinion compositions. Her "Mass in Honor of 1871. Their contention is Indian health services the civil of Pavilion, B. C. of others were deeply attached to their own religion. "Without used widely in many parishes of to the Indian chiefs in return religion there is no durable progress", he declared adding that morality and religion must have parishes. Sister Elaine is the lands. The members of the

AURIESVILLE, N.Y., Sept 11 - (NC) - Iroquois Indians will come down on their annual pil-"I have no hesitation in saying that I regard the spread of communism based upon atheistic and and sing in their native ada, and sing in their native tongue at a Solemn Mass which the Rev. Michael Jacobs, S.J., of Quebec, first Mohawk ordained to the priesthood, will offer at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs here on September 28. The Mass will honor the memory of sainted Jesuit missionaries who were slain by the ancestors of these now Christian Iroquois some 300 years ago.

## Nun Composes

SAN ANTONIO, —(NC)— Sister Mary Elaine, of the Sisters of or as a result of the failure to Divine Providence, who wove the control the terrible material strains of familiar Negro spirituals into a "Mass in Honor of for his own destruction. But man Blessed Martin de Porres," is now is capable of rising to new and at work studying Indian music



With traditional tribal ritual, Indians of the Six Nations' Council, largest Indian group in Canada, inducted Radio Commentator Claire Wallace, of Toronto, as a princess of the Six Nations during the annual fair on the reservation at Oshweken, near Brantford, Ont. Few white women have been accorded this honor, reserved by the Indian council for carefully chosen palefaces. Here Miss Wallace joins Six Nations' chieftains in the war dance, an important part of the induction ceremony. Translated from the Mohawk language, Miss Wallace's Indian name is "Princess Loud Voice Heard Over the Land."

visited Sac and Fox Indian set- vention in Winnipeg, charged Premier Duplessis told the tlements in Oklahoma, Sister the Government with a a large part in all educational daughter of John Gentemann of Association claim these promprograms.

Association claim these promprograms. ises were not fulfilled.

OTTAWA, Oct. 7 (Special)service commission has appointed two assistant directors, Dr. W. L. Falconer and Dr. H .A. Procter, both of Ottawa, Hon. Paul Martin, minister of national health and welfare, announced, today.

Under the direction of Dr. P. E. Moore, head of Indian health services, Dr. Falconer will be responsible for medical treatment Army home for Indian girls services for approximately 125,o00 Indians and 7,000 Eskimos in all parts of Canada while Dr. Procter will handle administrative problems connected with the directorate's hospitals, nursing stations and field health services.

A native of Morden, Man., Dr. Fort William San Falconer graduated in medicine To Be Enlarged from the University of Manitoba in 1926 and did postgraduate For Indians work at the Winnipeg General and St. Boniface hospitals and at Martin, Minister of Health, the Ninette Sanitorium. After practising for nine years in the central Manitoba mining area, he became medical surrous and at Martin, Minister of Health, announced that the Federal Government will build a Dr. Falconer served overseas in William Sanatorium, for the 1938. He came to Ottawa in 1940. tients. There will be space for the First World War with the 65 beds. Canadian Cavalry Brigade.

#### Retrace Route Of Early Explorers

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 16 -(NC) - Three alumni of the city was discussed at the re-Jesuit Sainte Marie College at Montreal followed the Father Marquette-Joliet canoe route Hostels for Indian girls living from Montreal to New Orleans. It took the explorers two years to make the trip. It took the young Canadians three months.

Those who came here in a 16foot plywood canoe are Michael, 25, and Jean Hearne, 22, brothers and Jacques Flahault, 21. The brothers are graduates of Montreal University as well as of Sainte Marie College

#### Trades and Labor Congress Defend Indians' Rights

HAMILTON - The B. C. Fishermen's union attending the annual Trades and Labor convention in Hamilton, Sept. 26, asked in a resolution that "the Indians be granted equal citizenship and voting rights without being required to give up their identity as Indians, or giving up their collective rights on the reservation property. The resolution received almost unanimous sup-

#### Chief Berens Dies

WINNIPEG, Aug. 24 -Chief William Berens died at Berens River, August 23, at the age of 84. He was one of the signatories of the Treaty made with the Dominion Govt. He has recently cele-brated his golden wedding anniversary. He is survived by his wife, four sons and two

Councillor Arthur Felix, also of Berens, died Aug. 21.

#### Three Indian Children Die in Train Wreck

KAMLOOPS, Oct. 1-In a C.N.R. freight train wreck, 37 miles west of Kamloops, on Sept. 29, three Indian children were killed. They are Ambrose and Francis Alex, of

#### Prince Rupert has Home for Indian Girls Visiting City

The Dominion wide Red Shield Salvation Army drive will benefit the Salvation at Prince Rupert. This home was established as a haven for the girls visiting in the city

became medical superintendent \$200,000 adition to the Fortfor The Pas Indian agency in exclusive use of Indian pa-

#### Hostels for Indian Girls Recommended

CALGARY. — The welfare of Indian girls living in the cent annual convention of the Anglican W. A. in Calgary. in the city was recommended.

#### IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

The story of the Grouard Indian Co-operative, written by its founder, Rev. G. For-cade, O.M.I., will be featured in the November issue of the Indian Missionary Record.

## INDIAN QUEEN CROWNS OUR BLESSED LADY



Six thousand men, women and children participate in the traditional May devotions at the St. Edward Seminary, Seattle. Queen Marie Sneatlum and Guard of Honor from Tulalip Indian Reservation crown the statue of the Blessed Mother. Bishop Gerald Shaughnessy, S. M., who presided, asked that the services be dedicated in special prayer for the conversion of Russia. (NC Photos)

# INDIAN RECOF

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We are deeply indebted to many persons for their contributions, financial and otherwise, and we pray the good Lord to reward them. We pray the Catholic Indians of Canada to continue their support, and to help in finding new

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## California to see Our Lady's Image

CHICAGO, Sept. 6. —(NC) — A replica of the miraculous Indians and he will supervise all statue of Our Lady from the famous shrine of Cap de la medical services. Madeleine, Quebec, will be taken along on a Rosary Pilgrimage to the West on September 28 to October 14, it has been on the converting of the airport announced here by the Confraternity of pilgrims' sponsor of hospital in Battleford into an Inthe pilgrimage. This will mark the first time that the revered dian hospital. When completed it statue will leave Canada.

It was the object of special passed through the various towns devotion during the Marian Con- en route to the Canadian capital. gress in June when it was marched in solemn procession from Quebec to Ottawa, with the faithful reciting the Rosary 24

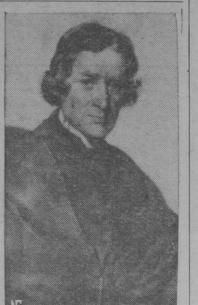
Permission to take the honored statue out of Canada was given the Confraternity of Pilgrims by the Council of Oblate hours a day. The statue became the center of many manifestations on its 46-day journey as it Madeleine.

Fathers, who are the guardians of the Shrine of Cap de la Madeleine.

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# Brief of the Native Indians of

Recommendations for the Revision of the Indian Act



Bishop Frederic Baraga of Sault Ste. Marie and Marquette, Michigan, pioneer apostle to the Indians of the Northwest, whose cause for beatification is being promoted. The life and works of the Bishop, who died in 1868, are marked by annual observances in various part of the country. Dramatization of the Bishops's life highlighted a festival in Cleveland this year.

## **NEW POSITION** FOR DOCTOR SIMES

FORT QU'APPELLE, Sask. Oct. 7. — Dr. A. B. Simes, ir Dr. A. B. Simes, in charge of the Indian hospital at Fort Qu'Appelle for many years has been appointed regional superintendent of Indian health services for the province.

He will make his headquarters in Regina as soon as the appointment of a successor at the Indian hospital has been made.

His work will include the control of tuberculosis among the

Dr. Simes said work has begun will have a bed capacity of 70 and it will be opened officially soon.

A new nursing station has been opened in Lac la Ronge and two new apointments, Dr. O. J. Mc-Fayden and Dr. J. B. Tucker, have been made in the Prince Albert health unit. Medical men will soon be added to the Battleford hospital also, Dr. Simes said.

May 1, 1947.

We who are Native Indians of British Columbia, registered under the Indian Act, beg to submit to you these recommendations on behalf of ourselves and of our dependent women and children.

We take this opportunity to present to you who have been appointed to examine the Indian Act, some of our conclusions regarding the several sections of the Indian Act as they have been applied to us, with our resolutions which we have made after long and careful discussion.

May we express the hope that the Indians of British Columbia, and all of Canada as well, will be eminently satisfied with the results of your deliberations, and that Parliament will confirm your recommendations with suitable

legislation. We B.C. Indians do not expect, nor would we welcome, legislation that would favour us above other races and groups who make up the population of Canada. But, it should be evident to the elected representatives of the Canadian people, that there is a growing understanding and a popular feeling that the Native Indians, considered individually and as a group, have not yet, but should have, as quickly as the necessary legislation can be enacted, equal opportunities and equal rights, in addition to the obligation of duties imposed upon us without our consent by existing Canadian Statutes.

General Remarks.

1. That it should be the purpose of Parliament to remove, by legislative enactment, any disabilities which the present Indian Act imposes or allows, to the Executive Branch, because of our Indian racial origin.

2. That the principle of self-government for the Indian Bands in civil affairs be accepted by Parliament and in-corporated specifically where necessary in the new Indian

3. That legally constituted Chiefs and Councillors be elected by the Indians and appointed by the Department of Indian Affairs, without delay. for every Indian Band. The elections and appointments should be officially posted in a prominent place on the reserves so that all the Indians may be informed of them.

4. That all by-laws passed by the Indian Councils and approved by the Department of Indian Affairs shouldhave legal effect from the time of approval. It should be made impossible, with heavy penalties, for any Civil Service employee to deprive the Indians by personal decree, of any benefit conferred by the Indian Act.

5. That all Chiefs and Councils be provided with copies of the Indian Act, with any amendments that may be made hereafter.

Copies of the Annual Report of the Indian Department, and particularly statements of band funds and trust moneys should be furnished regularly to each council.

A simple procedure for meetings, with an outline as

to the extent of their local authority and duties should be compiled for the use of the Chiefs and Councils. The B.C. Indians who submit this Brief affirm that we

wish to keep our tribal chiefs and councillors, our lands and our hereditary privileges of hunting, trapping and fishing, also our water and grazing rights. That is, as a group, we wish to live as Indians with our separate identity and our traditional way of life. But we are eager to co-operate with other people of Canada where our mutual interests naturally merge.

We believe that this statement, coming from us directly, will clear away any misunderstanding that may exist.

Nearly all of our Indian villages and settlements in Britsh Columbia are the ancient living places, fishing, trapping or hunting grounds of our forefathers. Poor as they may appear to be to others, they are rich in memories and traditions for us. We wish to leave them to our children as we received them from our parents. We will not willingly surrender them. We should not be required to surrender them or the privileges attached to them.

We are told that Canada does not recognize the existence of any treaties between Canada and the Indians of B.C., who are under the care of the Indian Commissioner

ment officials. And the fact remains that as a result of those promises, large tracts of Indian tribal territory were occupied by immigrant settlers, from which great wealth has been reaped by the settlers, and taxes by both the Canadian

ments and the merits of our Brief.

We regard the problem of aboriginal titles, hereditary or other title, as properly a matter for court adjudication. It is our wish that all treaties and obligations contracted

Admissions to band membership, or discharge therefrom, or transfers of persons of Indian blood from one band

2. Band Memhership.

SPECIAL SUBJECTS OF THE ORDER OF REFERENCE

But, according to our Indian Chiefs, there were certain promises made to the Indians of B.C., such as the "Spintlum Treaty", with the Thompson tribes. These promises were made by persons whom the Indians had every right to consider as responsible govern-

and Provincial governments. Thes promises shoud be taken into consideration when your committee considers the justice of the Indian require-

between the Government of Canada and the Indian tribes in other parts of Canada be scrupulously fulfilled.

to another, should be decided by the tribal chiefs and coun-

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ecuted for the foyer of the National Catholic Welfare Conference headquarters building in Washington. The Saviour is shown seated in majesty on a throne supported by crimson seraphs whose faces are represented by golden flames. Our Lord's foot rests on a globe depicting the Western Hemisphere. On the Saviour's right stands Archangel Michael, Prince of the Church Militant, sword in hand, in full armor. To the left of the Saviour is Uriel, Archangel of the Light of God and regent of the sun.

Christ the King, as depicted by the artist John Henryk de Rosen, in the center part of a mural ex-

(NC Photos)

(Continued from Page 2) Brief of Native Indians of B.C. cils. Approval of those decisions on the part of the Department of Indian Affairs should be given promptly in the interest of local authority of the councils, and to stabilize Indian families who, for good and serious reasons, are living on reserves other than their own.

Temporary permits only, should be granted to transient Indians and these should be subject to renewal on the recommendation of the tribal council.

3. Liability of Indians to pay Taxes.

We are opposed to taxation without representation in Parliament.

We have paid always, and we are subject to most taxes levied by the Dominion Government, with one exception.

We have paid always, and we are subject to most taxes levied by the Provincial Government, viz, gasoline tax, amusement tax, etc.

We are not subject to land taxation by the Provincial government because our land is under the control of the

Dominion government.

We are subject to levies for our trust fund account which is usable for local improvements. This system has been satisfactory to us. But we wish to have more control over our trust funds and the spending of them. And we wish to have trust funds built up for the poorer reserves

by special government grants.

We ask that the Canadian government grants made to the Indians be equal in the amount to the per capita tax collected by the Canadian Government from the Canadian

people.

There arises here, the problem of Dominion income tax for Indians living on Indian reserves, the one exception mentioned above.

The very low average income earned by Indians of Canada makes this question a very small one, comparatively. There a few Indians to-day earning taxable incomes from work produced on Indian reserves. But we are opposed to any taxation without representation.

#### 4. Enfranchisement, and

#### 5. Eligibility of Indians to vote at Dominion elections.

Enfranchisement to us means that we have to surrender everything that we have inherited from our ancestors. We must leave our homes and our people. We become strangers among strangers. From respectable Indians worthy to be granted citizenship, once we are enfranchised, we become outcasts to our people, trespassers and a cause of discord to the tribe if we seek our own friends and relatives on the reserves.

We ask that the Indian Act be changed so that we can, as Indians, have the same legal rights as white people, without surrender of our lands or hereditary privileges.

Since 1924, legal rights were granted to American Indians. Quoting from the Meriam Report, from which Mr. Hoey has already made quotation before this Committee: (page 25, 1946 Minutes)

> Congress by the Act of June 2, 1924 conferred citizenship on all Indians born within the territorial limits of the United States...

Citizenship not incompatible with guardianship

and special legislation.

Although prior to the passage of this recent Act, citizenship was often associated with a property right ... a trust patent, or a fee patent ... legally there is no intrinsic relation between the two. Citizenship in fee or in trust is a property right. The Supreme Court of the United States has held, moreover: Citizenship is not incompatible with tribal existence or continued guardianship, and so may be conferred without completely emancipating the Indians or placing them beyond the reach of Con-gressional regulations adopted for their protection.

This decision clearly is in accordance with the law as it is applied to white citizens. Among whites the fact of citizenship does not preclude guardianship, nor does it give unlimited control over any property the title of which is vested in the citizen . . . The status of the restricted citizen Indian with respect to his property secured through the government is like that of a citizen child with respect to his, except that under existing law the Indian may be declared competent, and thereby given full control. It should be noted moreover that this restriction applied only to the property secured to the Indian by government action. It does not apply to property secured by the Indian for himsel through his own efforts. He ordinarily has complete control of his own earnings and of any property purchased with his earnings.

(Meriam.—Problem of Indian Administration.)

In any proposed amendment to the Indian Act regarding the conferring of legal rights upon the Indians we ask that discrimination as to racial origin be removed and that only those restrictions be kept in force which are clearly for the common interests of the Canadian people or of the Indians themselves.

#### 6. Encroachment of White Persons on Indian Reserves.

From what we have already stated, we consider the Indian lands and hunting grounds as our own. We do not wish other people to intrude on our property without our consent. All other persons should have the consent of the Chief and council and members, of an Indian band, and the approval of the Indian Department, to occupy Indian lands.

#### 7. Indian Day and Residential Schools.

We ask parliament to grant us full educational benefits for our children.

There are twelve thousand Indian children in British Columbia. Many of our children have no school of any kind. Parents have to wait in some cases till their children are ten or twelve years old before they can get them into a school. Parents have to take their children out of school too soon in some cases, to make room for others. Some Indian Day Schools are closed because there is no teacher.

## TIME OUT FOR HOLY NAME CONVENTION



In Boston, six of the nine Catholic members of the Red Sox, American League baseball champions of 1946, pause long enough in their battle with the N. Y. Yankees for this year's flag to discuss their plans to attend the Fourth National Holy Name Convention to be held in the Massachusetts capital, October 1-5. Left to right: Johnny Pesky, Sam Mele, Birdie Tebbetts, Eddie Pellagrini, Paul Schreiber (coach), and Mickey Harris. (NC Photos.)

1. That Parliament recognize the natural right of Indian parents to choose the kind of education for their children, prescribed by the Department of Indian Affairs.

2. That the Indian parents be given full opportunity to express their wishes as to the education of their children.

3. That funds be voted by Parliament for full school training, both for all day class training from Grades I-VIII, and for vocational training, in both the Indian residential schools and the Indian Day schools, for all the Indian children whose applications for admission have been approved by the Indian Department.

4. That money be provided by Parliament for higher education for Indian children, advanced courses to be added to the Indian Day and Residential scholls as required, and according to the wishes of the Indian parents and of the

children themselves.

5. That the present system of Indian residential and day schools be kept, and that additional grants be provided for buildings and equipment for both Indian Day and Residential schools, until all the Indian children are given the opportunity of an education.

6. That in Indian Day scholl areas special economic assistance and supervision be given to families attending school. in addition to the Family Allowance, so that the parents of those families will have incomes high enough to feed and clothe their children from remunerative employment in the locality where they live. At the present time manl Indian families have to travel far to make a decent living for their families, causing loss of education unless residential school education is provided for them.

7. We ask that the Indian program of studies for our Indian schools in B.C. be equal to the standard of the B.C. provincial schools.

8. We ask that complete religious freedom be granted by Parliament to the parents of the Indian children in the choice of their school, as already provided in the Indian

As all of our Indian families who are forwarding this Brief are of the Catholic religion, we ask that our children may be instructed in the precepts of that religion, and that such instruction may be given under the supervision of the Catholic religious authorities. Wherever it is possible to do so, we prefer to have religious teachers in charge of the children in schools maintained and inspected by the Department of Indian Affairs.

#### SOCIAL SERVICES

We are far behind other Canadian people in the matter of health and social welfare. We ask that funds be provided by Parliament to set up a good system of medical care. We want our Indian reserves visited regularly by medical doctors and nurses.

We want clinics given regularly to each band to prevent and cure communicable diseases such as tuberculosis, measles, whooping-cough, etc., which are responsible for so many deaths among small Indian children.

In any housing program, medical health officers should be directed to make surveys and recommendations as to type of house required, specifications and location. Houses that are unfit for people to live in, should be condemned and destroyed, and in each instance provision should be made for new housing. This should result in economical and capable management of moneys voted by Parliament for housing.

#### HOSPITALS

We ask that the present plan of the Indian Department to build new hospitals wherever they are need for Indian patients in B.C., be continued, and that these hospitals be equipped and put on an equal standard with other hospitals

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#### Indian Meeting to Talk Problems

DETROIT—Delegates from the United States and Canada, some clad in tribal deerskin jackets, opened the second annual convention of the North American Indian Nation Government, September 16.

#### In Six Languages

VATICAN CITY, Sept. 15. -(NC)— The recent exchanges of letters between His Holiness Pope Pius XII and President Harry S. Truman, which has been lauded, highly in most sections of the world, has been published in six languages in booklet form here by the Vatican Polyglot Press.

## Wealth for Indians

EDMONTON, Sept. 30 — \$257,763 has been paid to five Alberta Indian bands for oil rights on their reserves by three oil companies, Imperial Oil, Canadian Gulf Oil and the independent team of Anglo-Canadian, Home and Calgary and Edmonton.

## Whose Face is Red?

A Cree on the White Bear Reserve near Carlyle, Sask., took shelter from a late summer storm in the hospitable farm kitchen of a white housewife who was caught in the act of making doughnuts. Taking up a stolid stance against the wall he grunted "Ki miwan" before she could even offer him one. She complied, however, and for half an hour he stood there beaming happily, muttering "Kimiwan" very few minutes and always getting a doughnut. Finally the cook had had enough.

"Here—this is the last one!" and she waved to the door. The Indian padded out, shaking his head. Wasn't till she reported the incident to her husband that she learned the bedraggled Indian was merely repeating his apology for intruding: to a Cree "Kimiwan" just means "It's raining."

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# Jacinta's Message

dying. Her name was Jacinta Marto. Her age should not deter us from taking her words to heart. She knows whereof she speaks because Our Blessed Mother appeared to her and to her brother and cousin. These three were the witnesses of the apparitions at Fatima in Portugal in 1917. Our Lady chose Jacinta and her companions to be apostles

She was only ten when she lay in spreading devotion to her Immaculate Heart. This is what Jacinta said just before her death:

> "Tell everybody that God gives graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Tell them to ask these graces from her, and that the Heart of Jesus wishes to be venerated together with the Immaculate Heart of Mary, for the Lord has confided the peace of the world to Her."

#### The First Friday Promise

once a month on Friday was sug- cousin of Jacinto Marto. gested as one form of consolation.

#### The First Saturday Promise

Our Blessed Lady grieves over sin. She wants us to console her therein at every moment, by

and to repair sin through her It is interesting to observe that Immacuate Heart. She too speciwhen Our Bessed Lady appeared fies the form the reparation is to the three children at Fatima to take: Holy Communion, along her wish was the same as that with meditation of the Rosary. expressed by her Son when he Her reward will be the same as appeared to Margaret Mary. Our that offered by her Son, namely, Blessed Lord wanted consolation the grace of a happy death. The in reparation for the insults of- Communion and Rosary of Reparfered to His Sacred Heart by sin, ation to the Immaculate Heart and Communion of Reparation were recorded by Lucy, the

"My child, behold my heart surrounded with the thorns which ungrateful men place their blasphemies and ingrati tude. You at least, try to console me and tell them I promise to help at the hour of death with the graces needed for salvation, whoever, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess and receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."

A TRUE STORY



















## STORM WAZNINGS A TRUE STORY OF SCIENCE AT WORK.



















#### The Wrong Patient

winter that he could afford Weston. a trip to Toronto to visit his

steamer ticket to Moosonee at an Indian patient waiting at the station for you". Robert Hunter, a Cree In-dian, did so well on his trap-concern" that the bearer was was admitted, bathed and put line on the frozen plain to be directed to the Toronto to bed, had his temperature ly translated by Cheechoo: around Fort Churchill last Hospital for Consumptives at taken. By then the letter in "Isn't this unusual?"

is hospitalized for tubercu-losis. Hunter speaks no En-glish, but the Indian agent arranged everything for him: a phoned the hospital: "There's church. Not until noon, when arms?

the head of James Bay, a rail- Soon Hunter was bundled services were over, was Cheehis pocket was out of reach Michel's father had no and none of the nurses under-13-year-old son, Michel, who trouble on the boat or on the stood his complaints in Cree.

Hunter's comment, as free-

(Contributed)

A. This manner of picturing the great Paduan saint arose in the way ticket to Toronto, and a into an ambulance which cho able to straighten things 17th century and is based on a story of late date. The child is the infant Jesus. According to the account, St. Anthony was once visiting a friend, who happened to glance through a window to see the saint gazing in rapture upon the Child Jesus, whom he was holding in his arms (Butler-Thurston-Leeson, Lives of the Saints, vol. vi, p. 166).

Brief of Native Indians of B.C. (Continued from Page 3) As we are of the Catholic religion, we prefer to have our sick Indians in charge of religious nursing Sisters wherever this can be done. Where this is not practicable, we ask that the spiritual and moral wants of our sick Indians be carefully provided for, by the Department of Indian Affairs.

We ask that Parliament provide funds for emergency cases, so that hospitals receiving Indian patients will be paid according to standard schedules in such hospitals

payable by other patients.

#### OLD AGE PENSIONS—WIDOWS' PENSIONS-INDIGENT RELIEF—DISABILITY BENEFITS

We ask that adequate pensions, comparable to those set for white people, be granted to the native Indians. Relief and pensions have been denied to the Indians on the pretext that the small amounts granted to the Indians could be supplemented by their privileges of hunting, fishing and trapping. This plan failed to take into consideration that most applicants for these pensions are utterly incapable of enjoying those privileges; also that these privileges are seasonal and do not provide a subsistence standard of living at all.

Much hardship has been endured by us in recent years and even no discrimination. If the B.C. Provincial government can give its people generous pensions, there is no good reason why the Canadian Parliament can not do so for the B.C. Indian. Subsistence relief provided by the Indian Department has been cut very low, and in many cases denied altogether on the same pretext that the Indian applicants for relief could supplement their subsistence allowance by hunting, fishing or trapping. It failed to see that most Indian applicants for relief are not able to hunt, fish or trap. The low incomes of most Indian families have prevented these families from supporting their aged or sick

Much suffering and misery has been caused among the Indian and much bitter criticism of those responsible for the care of us—even much of the sympathy aroused among white people which know of our condition, and their insistent demand that these wrongs be set right, which has brought about this Joint Committee, was caused by callous administration and the denial of social benefits to Indians in recent years.

Old Age Pensions, Widows' Allowances, disability and destitute relief when furnished to Indians, should be payin money, in the same manner as the Family Allowance.

The amount of these pensions should be set by Statute in the Indian Act. They should not be granted at the discretion of the Indian Department, nor the amount set by by them. They should not be a charge against the Indian

We ask the Honourable members of this Committee to give very special consideration to this part of our brief.

Agriculture, Cattle Raising, Dairying, etc.

Indian should be encouraged in every way to make their living close to their homes. Indian Departmental policy should be to help Indian families to become independent of Departmental care in order to lessen the burden of Indian Administration.

#### Hunting, Trapping and Fishing Rights.

We regard hunting, trapping and fishing as our natural ways of life. As Indians, wild game and fish are a necessity to us for healthy living. When these disappear, we become subject to all manner of illness. We learn only slowly to acommodate ourselves to other foods.

We ask this Committee to recommend Parliament to put our hunting areas, trapping areas, and our fishing grounds which are recognized as Indian reserves, under the care of the Indian Department, and not subject to the Provincial game and fishing regulations; we want these areas supervised by Indian Departmental officials only.

#### Canadian Arts and Handicrafts.

The program of the Department of Indian Affairs to encourage Indian arts and handicrafts should be maintained liberally by Departmental funds as a service to the Indian and the Canadian people. Grants for exhibitions and displays of Indian art should be made each year. Indian handicraft instruction should form a necessary part of every school program.

#### Indian Ex-Service Men.

We ask Parliament to make a careful review of the progress made by the Department of Indian Affairs in the rehabilitation of returned men. Our soldiers volunteer for overseas service, thouh they were not citizens. Now we ask Parliament to insist that promises and grants made to those men should be given to them through the Department of Indian Affairs, with equal generosity and despatch.

We wish to thank the Honourable members of this Committee for your kind attention. We humbly beg that you will give our requests your favourable consideration.

Very respectfully yours, J. M. PATTERSON, O.M.I.

Director, The Catholic Indian Institute of B.C.

Note: The program outlined in this Brief is approved and formally recommended for the B.C. Indians by:— His Excellency W. M. Duke, D.D.,

Archbishop of Vancouver. His Excellency E. Q. Jennings, Bishop of Kamloops. His Excellency James Hill, Bishop of Victoria.

This brief is sponsored by the Catholic Indian Institute of B.C., an association composed of Indian Chiefs, Captains, Watchmen and other leading Indians who carry out social works on the Indian reserves under the supervision of the Indian missionaries. A number of the signatures and names of these Indians supporting and suggesting this program are attached, who are representative of the approximately 15,000 Catholic Indians of B.C

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#### **BIG RETURN** FOR INDIANS

Due to the declining fur supply and the development of summer fishing in northern Saskatchewan some Indians, to whom money meant very little a decade or so ago, are increasingly engaging in commercial fishing and have made up to \$600 for a week's

This is disclosed in the final report of the royal commission on fisheries of Saskatchewan, which has now been made available to the public. The report states that in the past the economy of the Indian was based on the fur trade and no deviation from trapping was encouraged by the trading posts. And, as fishing was largely confined to the winter months, it conflicted with the trapping season.

Money did not mean much to these Indians, because it had little value in areas where needs had for been simple and places of exchanges few. In the past 10 years, however, the Indians and the Metis of the north have been taking an increasingly important part in commercial fishing, the commission reports.

The war, which brought man-power shortages and high prices for fish, attracted more of the Oblate Fathers, 340 Provencher, natives to fishing with the result that many of them now own good in equipment and outboard motors.

According to the report, most of the commercia licenses issued Keeley Lake in the fall of of 1946 were to Canoe Lake Indians who averaged more than \$150 for seven days' fishing. One Indian made \$600 and another \$500 in the seven days. In the Lac la Ronge area, in the summer of 1946, the fishermen averaged \$315

QUEBEC

Rev. Fr. Labreche, O.M.I., accompanied by several Indians from Weymontaching, on the upper St. Maurice River visited Three Rivers recently. He plans to build a residence at Sanmaur, P.Q., for Fr. Meilleur and himself. Manouan and Obidjouan reserves will be visited from the Sanmaur residence.

#### ONTARIO

Fr. V. de Varennes, O.M.I., has been appointed principal of the Fort Frances Indian School. Replacing him as principal of the Lestock Indian School, is Fr. O. Robidoux, O.M.I.

#### SASKATCHEWAN



Father Laviolette, O.M.I., with a Sioux Chief

A farewell party was given by the Standing-Buffalo Sioux In-dians to Fr. G. Laviolette, who had been their missionary for twelve years. Miss M. L. Stand-ing-Buffalo, daughter of the late chief, read an address; Jos. M. Goodwill spoke, and a purse was presented to the missionary, on Sept. 21. Rev. Fr. Gelinas, O.M.L. Sept. 21. Rev. Fr. Gelinas, O.M.L., is now in charge of the Standing-Buffalo Sioux, along with the Assiniboine and White Bear Reserves, in Saskatchewan.

Rev. Fr. Guy de Bretagne, O.M.I., missionary of File Hills Agency (Sask.), is now teaching at the Lebret Seminary.

Rev. F. St. Jacques, formerly

Rev. F. St. Jacques, formerly of Marieval, is now at Lebret Indian School, and missionary for the Qu'Appelle Agency



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Solution a verage of 10 days' work. The commission warns that such prices are not likely to continue. In view of this, it urges the place of the native in Saskatchewan's northern economy must be adequately safeguarded.

Mr. Z. Lefleur, over 40 years with the Lebret Indian School, has been honored by a special blessing of our Holy Father the Pope. The certificate was presented to him Sept. 22, by Fr. Piche, principal of Lebret Indian School.

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# The Trail of Hanpa

by Ablo-Hoksila and Woonkapi-Sni

#### CHAPTER IV THE GIVE-AWAY

#### WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

Daniel Little, called Hanpa, grandson of the Sun-Dreamer, an old Lakota brave of Wood Mountain, had been educated in a government school, but as he had returned home the Indian way of life prevailed over his education.

As Daniel went to work for the

Win, the Lakota wife of the for a long time over the body her sympathy to Daniel Little. vities.

"Dan", she said, weeping, if I can help you in your sorrow. Will you promise to do away from his sorrow. so, Dan?" she begged. Daniel answered: "Certainly, Marianne; I thank you ever so much for your sympathy, I shall never forget it." Before he could check himself, Dan . added: "Marianne, your order for a saddle came only when I arrived home from your place, so you will understand why I could not look after it." In answer the girl pressed her hand on Dan's silently. The touch of Marianne's hand did wonders to soothe the aching heart of Daniel.

Dan felt deeply moved by the marks of sympathy he had received from LeBegue's family; he wondered why Le-Begue was so different from people of his own race who showed little or no interest in the Indians, and he conceived a great admiration for the white man. Dan did not feel so much, now, the great loneliness that filled his very soul.

Daniel had arranged for the burial acording to the Lakota customs. He had firmly refused the considerate offer of some kindly persons from the he felt he would desecrate his day he confided to Toto: grandfather's memory if he

with the funeral. So early in the evening, Wiaway silently, one by one liefs." shaking the hand of Daniel.

yapi", (the Give-Away), in God-Man, called Christ, was honour of the dead. Every- of the same world as our thing his grandfather owned Virgin of the Calf-Pipe, I had been given away, the would understand Christiaclothes, the furniture, the nity' team of ponies, and the rig. One day his grandfather asked him to consider marrying the Doe-Maiden, daughter of a white man, LeBegue, and of a Lakota

Daniel went to the limit, ied Toto.

"I mean that our Virgin gave us the Pipe of Peace as to the eldest Lakota of the instrument of communion reservation.

The entire neighourhood him on the vision-quest, his came in groups to look, for best friend in the world, now the last time upon the face that his grandfather had passof the last old Lakota, before ed away, who came to his reshe was committed for burial. cue by coming to live with had had a more formal chris- ately he had very thin hair

The "Wasigla-Ayustan" white man, wept bitterly and (Cease-mourning) ceremony of Wi-Shina. Even Marianne the old ritual, and then Daniel found enough courage to show and Toto resumed their acti-

While the two friends work-"I am so sorry it has had to happen to you... please do ed on saddles, in preparation for the coming rodeo, Daniel beliefs," said Daniel, "my en stiff. Nevertheless I picknot hesitate to come to me was taciturn. Toto, who was gay, tried to keep Dan's mind my childhood to be kind and ried him in the house where



hristian burial given ther's departure. He meditatto Wi-Shina. Daniel thought ed over death, immortality, because he asked himself: Can his grandfather would not the mystery of the Supreme I ever find contentment in want a christian service, for Spirit who shaped at will the possessing material things, he was very firm and serious destiny of man. He dreamt of like a white man? about his native beliefs, and the old Lakota traditions. One

ial to my grandfather?"

Shina was laid to rest, on top lightly, "these good people do of a solitary knoll, among not know the heart of the Lakgreat crying and shrill keen- otas, and they think we are ing. Then the Indians went just dumb, without any be- on his mind, as he talked 16

The young man remained a- please Dan, and he went on early in June. lone weeping by his grand-saying: "Well, Toto, for the father's grave through the little I know about Christiani- us?" pleaded Marianne. "It is ty, the white people seem better I should go away for a As dawn came, cool and very foolish, as they do not all while", replied Dan, almost grey, Daniel dragged himself believe in the same things. rudely. Marianne felt the anshome wearily. The house was cold and empty, for, true to their house is divided, they and she went away without the old Lakota custom, Daniel do not love one another as saying goodbye. had done the "wicate-wihpe- we Lakotas do. Now, if the

"What do you mean?" quer-

with the Wakan - Tanka white man he realized he was in love with the girl, but did not dare show it. The death of his grandfather affected Daniel pation. It was his friend, "Elk's Head". The commands and appointed him the keeper of the Pipe, and she called him pation. It was his friend, "Elk's Head". The commands of the Virgin were the rule of Toto, who had accompanied of the Virgin were the rule of our nation until the Lakotas were crushed and went the way of the buffaloes".

grandfather taught me from ed him in my arms and carworthless. I cannot under-that! stand the ways of the white people, and I want to remain a Lakota".

Toto was practical enough to see that he would have a hard time in converting his friend to accept, in a certain measure, the new scheme of life that was forced upon the Lakotas, and yet he did not want to press his point too

Daniel had every right to live as he saw fit and as he world? Was there some one an obligation. he should live for? He could live alone for ever.

Toto was certain that there was a future for Daniel Little, no matter what he had said this day, because his sorrow had made him bitter. Toto felt it was his duty to guide his dearest friend on the path of

Two weeks later, LeBegue, who had not seen Daniel, came over to the adobe shack with his family ,in a new exsome kindly persons from the village of Wood Mountain to brooding over his grandfa- him come he felt small, not because he was put

As Daniel was showing the parts of the saddle he had al-"Why did the white people ready made for Marianne he were to let strangers meddle want to give a christian bur- kept pondering: "Is this girl really what she appears to be? "Because," Toto answered Is she the Doe-Maiden, a Lakota, or is she Marianne Le-Begue, a white girl?"

> The doubt remained heavy about his plans to go across This answer seemed to to Fort Peck Reservation

> > "Why do you wish to leave

To be continued)

### Indian Reserve Penticton, B.C.

Clarence Pierre, 16, oldest son of Mary McDougal, passed away at the Coqualeetza (Sardis) Hospital, September 6, after a brief illness.

The Requiem High Mass was sung at the Sacred Heart Church by Father P. J. Collins, O.M.I. The deceased attended Kootenay Residential School in Cranbrook for several years.

He leaves to mourn him, his mother and three sisters, Mrs. James Bent, of Chopaka, Wash., Mrs. Peter Eneas, of Penticton, and Enda Pierre; also one brother, Joseph.

There were many relatives and friends present from Chopaka, Wash., Similkameen Valley and Westbank, B.C. Mrs. Margaret Holding. corr.

#### Stories of the Hunt

Once I had a very good hunting dog and I thought "Well," replied Toto, who quite a lot of him. Unfortun-Among the visitors were him, pleading with Daniel to tian education, "Christ does and so was not able to with-not belong to the same world stand the cold very much. of spirits as our Virgin of the He used to sleep in the stable (Cease-mourning) ceremony Calf-Pipe. The white people with my horses during he was performed according to seem to have made national winter. One very cold night, religions out of Christianity; morning stretched out in there has been much blood- however, he was left outside shed and hatred ,even to this and you can imagine my sorday, in the name of religion". row in finding him next forgiving, to be generous, to I laid him by the stove. But tractor during the summer; disregard material things as he never was a good dog after

Alec Collins.

Q.—Is it allowed under any conditions for a man to smoke before receiving Holy Communion?

A.—It is not a sin to smoke in the morning before receiving Holy Communion, since smoking is neither taking food nor drink. Some men do not smoke in the morning before receiving Holy Communion as a matter of sacrifice and in respect for our chose. But was there a future Lord Whom they receive. This for him on this crowded is an act of piety and in no sense

### **Priest-Scientist**



Rev. John F. Schuler, Covington diocesan priest who took part in the atom bomb tests at Bikini last summer, will work in the field of mass spectroseopy at the University of Chicago. A graduate student in physics at the University of Cincinnati, he will work in collaboration with Dr. Harold

Clayton Urey. (NC Photos)

### Fishing Lake Metis Colony News Sputinow, Alta.

Our Colony is still progressing slowly but surely. We have now two schools for our children, two stores, a welding and blacksmith shop tendered by Bob Poitras, and our own Post Office.

Jean Bruneau acquired a he has already done quite a bit of land breaking.

Our lumber project was quite a success last winter and we aim to do still better this year.

Our Missionary, Fr. Levert has traded his Ford for a jeep and claims nothing can stop him now. Although it is rumored that he had to be pulled out of the lake on one occasion.

One of our first settlers, John Gladue, passed away last September. He had been ailing for the past year.

## BISHOP BAPTIZES INDIAN CHIEF



One of the most distinguished Indians of the nation, Chief Lookout of the Osage tribe, is pictured as he was received into the Catholic Church as a baptismal ceremony in Immaculate Conception Church, Pawhuska, Okla. He is shown (seated) with Mrs. Andrew Bighorse and her husband, full blooded Osages and sponsors, Frank Shaw, only American Indian who is a Knight of St. Gregory

# World News in Pictures

## THEY PRAY FOR MISSION AID



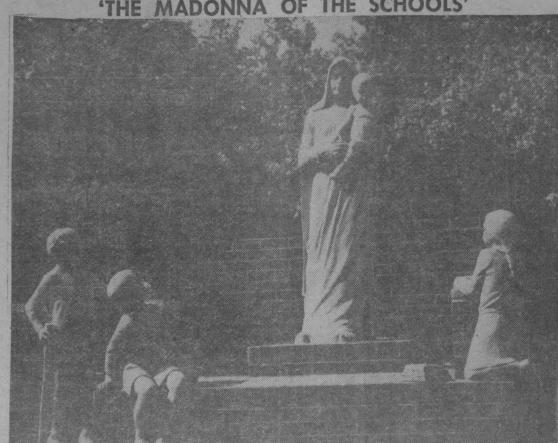
A missionary Sister and one of her little charges, in China, are pictured praying for the success of Mission Sunday, October 21, and all those who contribute to the work of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. "This year's observance," Monsignor Thomas J. Mc-Donnell, National Director, states, "will help create a spiritual arsenal upon which our missionaries may draw in these days of rehabilitation and expansion of the whole mission program." (NC Photos)

### FROM ONE GRID STAR TO ANOTHER



After his ordination at St. John's Cathedral, Milwaukee, Father John F. Peifer, former Marquette university football tackle, blesses his brother, Charles, who co-starred with him on the varsity gridiron. Father Peifer has been studying at Catholic university. (NC Photos)

## 'THE MADONNA OF THE SCHOOLS'



Our Lady and the Christ Child looking with approval upon a group of school children who have paused momentarily to pray, features the new sculpture group. "The Madonna of the Schools," completed for St. Cecilia's Church, Ames, Ia., by Christian Petersen. Using life-size figures, the sculptor shows the typical Catholic boy and girl, interested in sports and study, yet mindful of the all-pervading influence of religion. (NC Photos)



The first Cherokee Indians in the history of the Eastern Cherokee Nation to be received into the Catholic Church, kneel at the altar of St. John's Church, Waynesville, N. C., as Bishop Eugene J. McGuinness, of Raleigh, officiates at Solemn Baptism. The Bishop was assisted by Rev. Vincent J. Mahoney (left) and the Rev. James F. Hudson, S. P. M. (right) (N.C.W.C.)

## Make Way for the Impossible!



This picture is certainly the height of something or other. Yes, you CAN believe it. It is a CAT mothering SKUNKS. It all happened when a kind-hearted Flint, Mich., man found the motherless skunks, borrowed the mother cat from a friend, and recorded the event for future peace conferences.